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TRADE CONTROLS BRANCH
MONTHLY REPORT for
JUNE 1958

A. Accomplishments

1. A large part of the Branch's effort was devoted to intelligence support of the review of the International Export Control Lists both in COCOM and in Washington. A total of 95 items proposed by the US for embargo on IL I were reviewed with assistance of the appropriate elements of ORR; additional information was furnished on 14 items. Also reviewed were 38 individual commodity "Status Sheets," prepared in a sub-group of EDAC WG I, which present the status of individual disagreed items at the end of the 'first round' review in COCOM. In addition, summaries were prepared of the 10 COCOM list categories showing the status of all items discussed in the current review for use in briefing the AD/RR and DAD/RR. Finally, with the assistance of other components of ORR, a review was made of 17 items which are supported by the US for embargo on the International Munitions List.

2. Intelligence support was furnished to:

ACEP Operating Committee - 3 Polish exceptions cases and 3 other exceptions cases for shipment of strategic commodities to the USSR.

EDAC Executive Committee - 6 Polish exceptions cases and 3 other exceptions cases for shipment of strategic commodities to the Bloc by COCOM participating countries.

EDAC - Special briefing prepared on about 80 commodities ("disagreed" items).

EDAC WG II AAP - 37 administrative action cases.

3. Four DCP memoranda were prepared, of which two were disseminated to DCP. One has been despatched, and the other will be shortly, to interested Foreign Service posts by the Action agencies concerned. The reports cover (a) use of U. S. oscilloscopes in Soviet guided missile tracking stations and (b) large quantities of copper being shipped by a Swiss transport firm to Hungary and Czechoslovakia. The remaining two DCP memoranda are being withheld temporarily at the request of DD/P for further clearance.

4. A contribution entitled "Possible Impact of Further Relaxation of International Trade Controls" was prepared for Project 10.1806, Soviet Capabilities and Probable Courses of Action through 1963.

5. Substantive liaison was provided between OO/C and Commerce Department in consideration of possible Commerce compliance action against an OO/C source.

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6. The following project is nearing completion and is to be distributed to EDIC members next month: EDIC/ID-29 - The Sino-Soviet Bloc Tire Industry. EDIC Case No. 30, "USSR Petro-chemical Industries," was initiated at the request of the Department of Commerce to provide intelligence for use in establishing a US position vis-a-vis exports of chemical plants and equipment from the US to the USSR.

7. Five cases were established on possible diversions of strategic materials to the Sino-Soviet Bloc; 25 requests for name intelligence were serviced for the Departments of State, Treasury, and Commerce, DD/P, OCR, OCR/IR, and BR; a total of 2,435 documents were scanned of which 121 were selected for multiple carding; and four evaluations were made of CS reports.

8. Meetings attended: ACEP Operating Committee (1), Group on List Review (1), EDAC WG I (19), EDAC WG II AAP (2), EDAC WG I Sub-group on the Munitions List (2), and Technical Review of Satellite Tracking ~~Camps~~ (1).

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B. Administration

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[REDACTED] completed the OTR Training Course, "Economic Geography of the Soviet Bloc;" the latter analyst also served as a member of the German Language Examining Panel in OTR language proficiency tests; [REDACTED] completed the "Writing Workshop."

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